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JUST AN OCCASIONAL TIP TO OUR READERS PROMPTED BY A QUIET STROLL AMONG OUR ADVERTISERS

There has been nothing about the weather during the past few weeks to indicate that Santa Claus was growing his faithful bunch of reindeer in regions adjacent to the Arctic seas, in preparation for his annual tour around the globe, and especially for his ever welcome visit in our little village among the Oxford Hills. It, therefore, remained for a few of the merchants of our town to remind the natives that, whether or no weather, December 25 is just as surely on the calendar in 1912, as it has ever been during the past 1000 years, and judging from the appearance of things in and about these stores they have, during these days of preparation for the coming event, through Marconi's marvelous mechanism, been in more or less constant touch with Old Santa.

Never have Bethel's "Christmas stores" looked any more gay and attractive than at the present time. It would almost seem as though several of our enterprising merchants had vied with each other in the personification of attractive Christmas decorations. Nor are the decorations the only feature. On the contrary, the Christmas shoppers will find stacks of goods in Bethel stores that would do justice to the stores in much larger centers, and those who forget their loyalty to their home merchants, when selecting their Christmas goods, must find some other reason for such forgetfulness than a claim that the home stocks are not up to standard.

EDWARD KING.
Edward King, though not the veteran as regards membership in any gray hair brigade, is certainly the veteran among the merchants who feature the Christmas business. Reference to the files of this paper reminds us that not many years ago he was about the only Bethel merchant to give noticeable attention to the Christmas time, by filling his store with Christmas goods, making the store attractive by decoration and telling the public about it through our columns. Just one look at the outside of his store reminds one that the happiest time of the whole year is here, the time when we receive a blessing from giving to others, making others happy, and if one ventures inside, the chances are they will tarry long, as Mr. King's stock is varied and beautiful. In this store you will find gifts for the whole family, and the most fastidious will not be able to leave the store without finding something satisfactory. His stock was never better than this year.

H. S. FUBIARD.
Bethel's proudest boast is in her young blood. Mr. H. S. Fubiard, pitch of his tent with us a few years ago, and has easily won a place in the hearts of the community, as one confiding one of the cleanest and most up-to-date dispensaries of drugs and medicines to be found anywhere in the State of Maine. Loring, indeed, are the window decorations. When they are accomplished one of the purposes of the store is on the inside, the deal is done. You are face to face with a line of Christmas articles that will display you from longer sitting as critic at the trial of your first parents in Eden's garden. You'll buy, and what's more you'll be back and buy again, and what's still more you'll get your money's worth. There is no use in trying to tell you what you will find at Fubiard's and we are not going to. Go in and look around. If you can get out without buying we will trust you any where.

W. E. ROSSERMAN.
There is another drug and medicine dispensary that is a distinctive credit to the town of Bethel. Old and reliable, he now and up-to-the-moment in every detail. Mr. Rosserman has been the proprietor for the past 6 or 7 years and his popularity has assumed the nature of an arithmetical progression. He is one of the dependables of Old Bethel. He has a large room for a large stock of his wares and realizes that the customer makes the part and parcel of a program to get the job better done.

CEYLON ROWE.
As in Italy all roads lead to Rome so in Bethel all roads lead to the store of Ceylon Rowe. For nearly forty years this has been the rendezvous of multitudes seeking the necessities of life, the comforts of life and oft, perchance the luxuries of life. Practical presents for father, mother, son, daughter and the little folks are sought at this emporium for Xmas shoppers, and many there are who, in buying presents for their little folks at this store this year, will be reminded that their fathers and grandfathers have filled the stockings of their respective loved ones with some of Santa's choice gifts as furnished through Mr. Rowe. This store is filled to the ridgepole with good sensible stuff and Santa's trademark is on every last article. Change cases for the emporium.

BENJAMIN H. YOUNG.
Here is another long established and ever reliable business place in Bethel. Mr. Young met Santa years ago and always takes his tips from him in selecting his Christmas goods. His claim that gifts from his stock are bound to produce the smiles that stay put is certainly well founded, and he not only carries the practical gift for every member of the family, and all who hope to become members of the family, such as sweethearts and such like, but for the best of burden which rendered its place of abode that our choicest Christmas gift might find its resting place. The storms and chill of our Oxford winters will be less severe for human kind and its animal possessions if due proportion of our Christmas allotment is exchanged for wearables and necessities found at this store. Meet Santa at Young's.

B. E. RANDALL.
Many stores in Bethel are department stores and carry everything from a jaw's-harp to a steam railroad, but this ain't Randall. It's his business to shoe people and he's onto his job. Name your kind and he has it. He'll let him, but if you must have fancy things, say so and he'll accommodate you. The best of it all, however, is he will fix up your old ones so that they will be good as new and twice as comfortable, and if you want him to build a pair from the sides up, you'll find him at home every day in the week, and at your service. He has shod Santa for years and Santa never had a worn. Get next to Randall!

L. M. STARNES.
A Christmas shopping trip would not be complete without calling at Miss Starnes' store. She has a larger and better stock of goods than ever, and the prices are right. Space will not permit us to enumerate the many nice and appropriate things found there, but you all know this store has the reputation of extending every possible courtesy to its customers. On page two of this issue you will find a list of a few of the many attractions to be found at Miss Starnes'. Just give her a call and see for yourself.

JAMISON L. FINNEY.
The people of Bethel are cut through congratulating themselves that it was made possible to have an electric plant in town, and many can get helpful suggestions for their Christmas shopping by reading J. L. Finney's ad in these columns. The man who doesn't know just what to give his wife or mother this year, will do well to look over Mr. Finney's electrical line. He is making a specialty of the famous Hotpoint Electric Flat Iron, which carries a guarantee for ten years, but this is not all. He has a fine line of desk lamps, persimmons, teasers, and the Evershedy Flash Light. You will be sure to find something that will please here.

A VAN DEN KERCKHOVEN.
What pray tell me will transform a bleak December day to a bright one? Nothing better than the sweet fragrance of a choice selection of house

RULES FOR NEW PARCELS POST. Public Should Become Familiar With Them.

Regulations to cover the workings of the new parcels post system, which is to go into operation on Jan. 1, next, have been made public by Postmaster General Hitchcock. The new system will be effective throughout the entire postal service at the same time and will affect every postoffice, city, rural and railway mail transportation route in the country. Every precaution will be taken by the Postoffice Department to have the mails moved with the usual despatch, and all postmasters, superintendents and inspectors have been directed to thoroughly familiarize themselves and their subordinates with every phase of the new system.

Mr. Hitchcock expressed the hope that the public would familiarize itself with the nature of the new service before attempting its use. Information will be available at any postoffice in the country. The regulations provide that parcels merchandise, including farm and factory products (but not books and printed matter) of almost every description up to 11 pounds in weight and measuring as much as six feet in length and girth combined, except those calculated to do injury to the mails in transit, may be mailed at any postoffice for delivery to any address in the country. Delivery will be made to the homes of people living on rural and star routes as well as those living in cities and towns where there is delivery by carrier. Where there is no delivery by carrier the parcels will go to the postoffice as in the case with ordinary mail.

The postage rate for the first zone—that is, within distances not exceeding fifty miles—will be five cents for the first pound and three cents for each additional pound. The rates increase for each successive one of the eight zones into which the country is divided, the maximum rate being 12 cents a pound, which will carry a parcel across the continent, or even to Alaska and the Philippines.

For a fee of ten cents a parcel may be insured and if the parcel is lost in the mails an indemnity to the amount of its value not to exceed fifty dollars will be paid to the sender.

The law provides for the use of distinctive postage stamps and there is now being distributed to postmasters for use in the parcels post system a set of stamps of twelve denominations. Parcels post maps, with accompanying guides, are to be sold to the public at their cost, 75 cents, through the chief clerk of the Postoffice Department.

It is a fact, certainly the chime of the Christmas bells will be the sweetest if their perfume shall feature the fire-red circle. In recognition of this fact, coupled with the spirit to be a part and parcel of Christmas from a commercial standpoint, Mr. Van is showing a nice line of potted plants and cut flowers, and issues a cordial invitation to all to drop in and buy. He also makes a specialty of post cards, and with all due modesty, can't get away from the impression that he has the best line in town.

O. K. FOX.
For all that goes to make up the fine Christmas dinner in the way of vegetables, groceries, etc., O. K. Fox's store is right there with the goods. But this is not all, Mr. Fox carries a nice line of shoes and rubbers and many things in the haberdashery line. In fact it is an all round store, and you will be sure of a square deal.

IRA C. JORDAN.
Another grocery store that is up to date in every respect. You will find a choice line of groceries, candies, and general merchandise here that will prompt you to call again. Right prices and courteous treatment secured.

WOODBURY & PURINGTON.
We have one other store that we would not have you miss when ordering groceries for your Christmas dinner. Just try a barrel of Lily White Flour. Bethel cooks say it is the best ever and if you try it at Christmas time you will be sure to use it all the time. You will also find a great line of general merchandise here.

RURAL CARRIERS ARE HARDEST HIT. New Parcels Post Will Add Much To The Duties

The new law is to occasion considerable extra work in all branches of the postoffice, but it is plain that the rural carriers are to be hit the hardest by this new law. They are now required to have wagons and horses for covering their routes, but if the parcels post business develops as it is anticipated it will these rural carriers will have to have heavier horses and larger wagons. They will, in addition to the duties they now perform, be obliged to carry a large folded map of the United States showing the eight zones into which the parcels post law will divide the country.

Nothing is said in the regulations which have so far been issued about rural mail carriers being provided with scales, but these they must have if they are to accept parcels for transportation through the postoffice. In addition each carrier on the rural routes will have to have a tape measure to make sure the articles are not too large and must carry a set of parcels post stamps which will be different from those used for letter mail. The operation of the rural mail carrier when his business is taken over by the postoffice on January 1, will be something like this: The carrier will drive up to a rural mail box and find there a farmer who wants to send a dozen eggs, for example, to a city customer. Whether or not any requirement as to the way these eggs will be packed will be issued is not known, but it is presumed that some regulation concerning this and similar matters will be in the end be issued. Anyway the rural mail carrier will find the farmer waiting for him with his package of eggs.

If the package is to be sent within the local zone of course the carrier may be able to tell off hand how much it will cost a pound and do the business without difficulty or trouble. But if the package is directed to some place beyond the local zone, some town in Massachusetts for example, he will have to get out his folded map of the United States, turn to the index, locate the zone and figure out the cost from the schedule of prices at the top of the map, weigh the package on scales large enough to weigh at least 11 pounds, measure the package to make sure it is not too large, pull out his supply of parcel postage stamps, make the necessary change, fix the stamps on the package, see that the sender's name and address is plainly marked thereon, and then go on his way over the rest of his route.

If there is a raging snow storm, if the wind is blowing hard, if it rains or is extremely cold, all of this must be done by the rural mail carrier in the open and for this service he will receive no more compensation than he now receives. It is anticipated that there will be many complaints and much grumbling over this business at first and some injurious will of necessity be done to some rural mail carriers and the postoffice employees generally when the law first goes into effect. In time, no doubt, Uncle Sam will regulate all of this and equalize it, but it's going to be a tough proposition at the start under the most favorable conditions.

BETHEL LOCALS.
At the Methodist Episcopal Church on Dec. 22, the services all day will be with reference to the great fact which Christmas commemorates. Sermon by pastor relative to the "when, how and who" of Christmas, at 10:45 A. M., carried in the evening at 7 o'clock, Christmas eve at Old Fellows Hall, a free supper will be served to all the members of the Sunday School, church and congregation, especially the parents of the children, followed by distribution of presents from the Christmas trees.

Miss Sylvia Swan is working in Edward King's during the holidays.

GARD OF THANKS.
Mr. John Harris and Mrs. Mattie Harris of Bethel wish to express their sincere gratitude and appreciation to friends for their aid, kindness and love during their illness and for the sympathy extended to them during their bereavement.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT AT CONG. CHURCH.

Do not miss the Christmas concert at the Congregational church, Bethel, next Sunday evening, which promises to be one of the best ever given. Following is the program:
Voluntary.
Processional.
Herrick's Orchestra.
Prayer.
Christmas Snow Flakes.
Six Girls from Primary Class.
Recitation, Esther Tyler.
Song, Gardner Herrick.
Beautiful Song of Angels.
Three Girls from Mrs. Van's Class.
Christmas Bells are Ringing.
Song by Miss Purington's Class.
Christmas Chorus.
Four Boys from Mrs. Van's Class.
Music, Dorothy Hanson.
Recitation, Vivian Wight.
Song, Solo and Chorus.
Harold Bartlett and Mrs. Bowler's and Miss Purington's Class.
Revitation, Herrick's Orchestra.
Recitation, Music, Mary Bowler.
Heralds of the Cross, Girls' Chorus.
Song, Mrs. Bowler's Class.
Recitation, Mrs. Van's Class.
Music, Harold Coffin.
The Lord is Come, Choir.
Recitation, Miss Purington's Class.
Solo, Eugene Van.
Good Night, Mrs. Wight.
Four Girls from Mrs. Van's Class.
Offering.
Herrick's Orchestra.
Benediction.

HIRAM R. HUBBARD.

Death of Ex-Sheriff of Oxford County Occurred Saturday at Paris.

The death of Hiram R. Hubbard, an ex-sheriff of Oxford County, occurred at his home, Paris, Saturday evening following an illness of several months. Mr. Hubbard was 71 years of age, was born and had always lived in this town. For the past few years he had conducted the Hubbard House at Paris Hill. He was well known throughout Oxford County.

Mr. Hubbard has been honored with various offices of trust which he has filled with integrity and ability. He was postmaster in Paris for several years, then representative from the Paris district in the Maine Legislature and has recently served two terms as Sheriff of Oxford County, being succeeded on January 1st, 1911, by the present sheriff. Mr. Hubbard leaves a wife, formerly Miss Emma Taylor, who has been of great assistance to him in the management of the Hubbard House, and a faithful and devoted nurse during his long sickness. He also leaves four sisters, Mrs. Ellen H. Jackson and Miss Mary Hubbard of Paris, Mrs. Clarence Hallett of Boston and Miss Jeanette Hubbard of New York. Besides the hotel which has been so much of a success, Mr. Hubbard was engaged to quite an extent in other business enterprises, including farming and orcharding. He was also a director and for some years president of the Paris Hill Water Company and a trustee of Paris Hill Academy. Mr. Hubbard was a useful man in the community in many ways and will be missed by a large circle of friends whose sympathy goes out to the bereaved widow and sisters. Funeral was held at the Hubbard House at 1:30 P. M. Tuesday.

MANLEY A. BRIGHAM.

Mr. Manley A. Brigham, a native of Springvale, passed away at the C. M. G. Hospital, Lewiston, Saturday, after a short illness. He was in his usual good health until Wednesday, when he was stricken with a paralytic shock and failed to rally. He was connected with the Rumford station at one time, and at the time of his death was advertising manager of the Auburn Free Press. He had been connected with journalism more or less for some time, having edited various editions in different cities and towns.

Mr. Brigham was 46 years of age and leaves a mother, Mrs. Katherine Shaw Brigham and a brother, O. P. Brigham, of Springvale. Interment was at Newport.
See our line of Fancy Apples and Handkerchiefs.
CRYSTON ROWE.

WANT COLUMN.

Put your Want and Sale notices here and they will be read in 3,000 Oxford County homes—1 line 1 week, 25c. 3 weeks 50c.

FARM FOR SALE.
The H. R. Godwin farm in Bethel, Maine. Cuts about 15 tons hay. Plenty of wood. Some growing timber. Excellent chance for brick-making. Cranberry bed started and bearing. Three story main house with oil—21 rooms. Shed, stable, and large barn, 40x60. Buildings in excellent condition. Excellent for summer home, summer boarders or for farming purposes alone. House can be used for two families. Apply to
MAE A. GODWIN,
or HERRICK & PARK,
Bethel, Maine.
Bethel, Me., Oct. 7, 1912.
10-10-12.

MAN WANTED.
To sell seeds in each county. A good paying position for a man acquainted with farming. Experience not necessary but honesty and industry are. Steady work. Cobb & Co., Franklin, Mass.
12-5-11-8

PULLETS AND HENS FOR SALE.
Choice, large, well-colored Red hens, single comb, \$1.00; others for 85c. Some big, mature Red pullets, \$2.00. B. P. Rock pullets, good ones for \$1.25. Others a month younger, \$1.00.
CHANNING L. GROVER,
Bethel, Maine, Box 217.
12-12-11.

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS.
All taxes in Newry must be paid by Dec. 16th, to save advertising and further expense.
H. M. KENDALL, Collector.
12-12-11.

FOR SALE.
One organ in excellent condition, sixteen chamber sets, springs, mattresses, straw matting, all wool carpets, stands, tables, chairs, some old fashioned furniture, pictures, lamps, stoves, one small show case. Will be sold at a bargain. Call or inquire of
MRS. M. A. GODWIN,
North Bethel, Me.
12-12-11.

FOR SALE.—First quality green, gray birch wood in quantities to suit parties at \$4.00 per cord delivered. Write or telephone.
C. F. UPTON,
Albany, Me.
12-19-11.

FOR SALE AT A BARGAIN.
One new set single sleds, 1 second hand set single sleds, 1 set double harness, only used twice, 1 light set harness, 1 second hand single harness, 2 new White Sewing Machines.
A. F. COPELAND,
Bethel, Me.
12-10-11.

FOR SALE AT A BARGAIN.
Two 4 light chandeliers complete with Rochester lamps. Used only 3 years in Masonic Hall. Inquire of
E. H. Young,
Bethel, Me.
12-10-11.

FOR SALE.—One six year old bay horse, weighs about 1100 pounds, is perfectly sound, kind, good worker, single or double and fair driver. Will be sold at a bargain if taken at once. Enquire at the Citizen Office.
12-10-11.

NOTICE.
The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Bethel National Bank will be held in the banking rooms of said Bank, in Bethel, Maine, on Tuesday the fourteenth day of January, 1913, at two o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of electing directors for the ensuing year and the transaction of any other business that may legally come before said meeting.
Elmer C. Park, Cashier.
Bethel, Maine, December 1st, 1912.
12-5-11.

BETHEL AND VICINITY.

The hunting season closed last Saturday.

The stores are open every night until Christmas.

Paul Thornton was in Boston last week on business.

E. C. Pack, Esq., was in Portland, Monday, on business.

Mrs. Frank Abbott is caring for Miss Ellen Locke who is ill.

H. L. Melcher of Hamford was in town Saturday.

The Academy closed last Thursday for a two weeks' vacation.

Judge Herrick held Probate Court at Paris, Tuesday.

The Bank rooms are being treated to a new coat of paint.

Edward King returned last Friday from a two weeks' trip to Fall River, Fla.

Perry Page has returned from his vacation, spent in Washington, D. C., and Maryland.

The Ladies' Club will meet with Mrs. Edmund Holt, Thursday afternoon at three o'clock.

Monday Mrs. Harry Hastings went to Plymouth, N. H., to visit her daughter, Mrs. George Goddard.

The Western Maine Pottery Show is to be held at the Opera House, Norway, Dec. 21, Jan. 1 and 2.

Miss Margerie Chandler has returned to her home in Auburn, having visited her grandparents for three weeks.

There has been good skating on Howe's rink this week which our young people have taken advantage of.

Irving L. Carver has removed the sign of Edwin C. Howe on his store and replaced it with one bearing his own name.

Dr. H. P. Bradbury and wife drove up from Norway, Sunday.

Miss Miriam Herrick has gone to Boston for a week's vacation.

Harry Leman has moved into the rent over N. P. Brown's store.

Perry Fernald is boarding at Dr. Tice's while the dormitory is closed.

Charles Hotchkiss has left the employ of Irving L. Carver and gone to Norway.

Miss Edie Davis was in Norway, Friday. She is studying instrumental music under the instruction of Miss Ethel Wentworth.

Roby Smith and Mary Douglas, who have been teaching in Gorham, N. H., are spending their Christmas vacation with their parents.

National Bank Examiner Norwin S. Bean, and his assistant, Mr. McKeen, examined the Bethel National Bank last Thursday.

Mrs. C. W. Hall, Mrs. P. E. Porington and Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Emery were among those who attended Prof. Chapman's concert at Lewiston last Wednesday.

The annual installation of officers of Bethel Lodge, No. 97, F. & A. M., will be held at Masonic Hall on Thursday evening, Dec. 19th. Masons and their families are invited.

H. A. Packard has sold his house and undertaking business to Fred J. Tibbets of Center Hall, Pa. Mr. Tibbets was formerly located at Harmony, Me. Mr. Packard will continue the business for about one month.

Mr. Lyman Wheeler and wife, R. E. Lady assistant steward, Ida Packard, L. Farwell and wife, Hollis Abbott and wife, Asa Powers and wife, Sumner Davis and daughter, Wallace Cummings and wife and Rev. J. H. Little are attending the State Grange meeting at Portland this week.

Mrs. A. E. Herrick was in Portland, Tuesday.

E. G. Bowler was in Boston the first of the week.

Charles Fernald of Albany was in town Tuesday.

Mr. Wm. Bray went to Bangor, Saturday, for medical treatment.

Mr. Herman Mason and wife are attending State Grange at Portland.

Mrs. Gilbert Tuell was in Portland one day the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Van Den Kerkhoven were in Lewiston, Monday.

Mrs. Annie Willey was in Portland, Monday, and attended the Grange reception Monday evening.

Rev. and Mrs. W. C. Curtis are spending a few days at Auburn with their son, Dr. E. B. Baker.

Mr. J. W. MacFarley and son, Robert, of Portland, spent a few days last week at Beth Mason's camp, hunting.

There will be a Christmas tree, concert and free supper at the Universalist church Tuesday evening, Dec. 24. Let all the children, parents and friends come and make it a merry Christmas.

The Christmas concert at the Congregational church next Sunday evening at 7 o'clock promises to be up to the usual standard. Herrick's orchestra will give several selections and as this is the children's concert they will furnish a large part of the program.

The Bethel Grange held its annual meeting Thursday evening and elected the following officers: Master, Eli Grover; Overseer, Herman Mason; Steward, A. P. Copeland; Assistant Steward, Byron Cummings; Chaplain, Mary Cummings; Lecturer, May R. Bartlett; Secretary, M. E. Kendall; Treasurer, R. E. L. Farwell; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. A. P. Copeland; Flora, Lucy Kilgore; Mrs. Cassandra Cole; Pomona, Mrs. A. P. Copeland; Ida Packard.

The Grange has made many needed repairs in their building during the past year, among other things, the room which was formerly used by C. K. Fox as a storeroom has been fitted up as a dining hall.

Miss Marian Pratt and Miss Alice Freeman, teachers in the Academy, are spending the Christmas vacation at their homes in Massachusetts and New Hampshire.

There will be a Christmas concert at the Congregational church Sunday evening, Dec. 22. Tuesday evening the Sabbath School children, members of the church and parish are invited to the Christmas tree and supper to be held in Garland Chapel. There will be no soliciting committee and those who wish to come to the supper are asked to furnish food without further solicitation. Let old and young come and make this a happy time for the children and all enter into the Christmas spirit.

Thursday afternoon the ladies of the Congregational Society held their annual Christmas Sale and Supper. Dainty and useful articles were for sale, especially adapted for Christmas gifts. The candy table as usual was the center of attraction until the sweets were all disposed of. Miss Belle Purington, assisted by Miss Olive Wardwell, had charge of this table. Supper was served at 6:15 and the tables were filled with a happy company who not only enjoyed the appetizing viands, but the neighborly sociability. The ladies were pleased with their success.

Adam Clark and family have moved to Rumford, where they are planning to take boarders.

Perry Judkins and Lee and Helen Abbott are home from Bethel, where they are attending Gould's Academy, for the Christmas vacation.

The Christian Endeavor and Ladies' Aid will have an entertainment and sale in the Grange Hall, Dec. 21.

Newell Godwin from Norway was in town the 13th and 14th on business.

Kyle Coolidge and granddaughter, Doris, have returned from Waterbury, Conn., where they have been visiting relatives.

The hay pressers are pressing Mrs. West's hay in Cambridge.

Miss Mamie Stewart is very sick of a quincy sore throat.

P. J. West has recently purchased four nice boxes.

Stella Chase and Mr. Stanwood, who have been staying at J. H. McLeod's, have returned to Rumford.

Christmas Greetings.

We have a Larger and Better Stock than ever.

We call your attention to a very few articles of our well selected line.

**"Crown" Muslin Aprons,
Handkerchiefs to please all.**

Splendid line of
**Scarfs, Lace Collars and Bows,
Leather Bags and Money Purses,
Books and Books for all ages.**

WE INVITE YOUR INSPECTION.

L. M. STEARNS, Bethel, Me.

LOCKE'S MILLS.

Stanley Wheeler of South Paris was in the place Saturday on business.

Alma Swan of Portland is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Swan, for a few weeks.

Miss Lillian Jordan, Mrs. Clinton Littlefield and Miss Mary Dresser were in Lewiston, Saturday, Christmas shopping.

Mrs. Charles Coffin of Mechanic Falls is visiting her sister, Mrs. Ruth Young.

Mrs. D. S. York of Bethel spent Sunday at C. R. Bartlett's.

Mrs. W. W. Coolidge is entertaining the two boys of her brother, Fred Noyes.

Mrs. C. R. Bartlett was in Bethel, Saturday.

Mrs. Stone of Waterford is working at the hotel.

Mrs. Bert Goodwin was in South Paris, Saturday.

Eva Flake entertained company from Norway, Sunday.

ENDS HUNT FOR RICH GIRL.

Often the hunt for a rich wife ends when the man meets a woman that uses Electric Bitters. Her strong nerves tell in a bright brain and even temper. Her peach-bloom complexion and ruby lips result from her pure blood; her bright eyes from restful sleep; her elastic step from firm, free muscles, all telling of the health and strength Electric Bitters give a woman, and the freedom from indigestion, backache, headache, fainting and dizzy spells they promote. Everywhere they are woman's favorite remedy. If weak or ailing try them, 50c at H. B. Pushard of Bethel; Chas. Fernald, Nathan Reynolds of Canton; H. J. Reynolds of Biddeford; C. A. Gardner of Dixfield.

Saving Postage Stamps.

When postage stamps stick together, never soak them in hot water. Instead, lay a piece of paper on top and pass over them with a hot iron. This will loosen the stamps and yet not remove the gum on the back.

FOUR MORE DAYS

In Which To Complete Your Christmas Purchases.

If the business so far this month is any indication they will be very busy days. This store has extra clerks and everything possible will be done for the convenience and comfort of the many customers.

The suggestion "to shop early in the day" will be of mutual advantage.

Look over the list below, while rush of business and lack of space forbids mention of all the many gifts suitable for every one from Baby to Grandma, it may help you in deciding what to give. Better still, come to the store and see the goods themselves, note the good values, the low prices, the clean fresh up-to-date stock, and buy if you wish.

JEWELRY SUGGESTIONS	MAINE GEMS	TOYS	PHONOGRAPHS	5 AND 10 CENT COUNTER	LEATHER GOODS, ETC.
FOR LADIES AND MISSES. Watches, Bracelets, Pins, Brooches, Hair Pins, Collar Pins, Throat Pins, Rings, Etc., make lasting and desirable gifts.	Do not forget the Tourmalines, Topaz and other Maine stones if you are looking for a fine gift and one distinctive of Maine. This store can supply you with many beautiful gems and the prices are very reasonable.	The largest line and best assortment this store has ever shown. Dolls, dressed and undressed, large and small. Dolls' Beds, Houses, Etc., Cooking Sets, Flat Irons, Trunks, Beds, Trains, Autos, Horses, Cows, Teams, Barns, Etc. In mechanical toys there is such a variety that description is impossible. Call and see them perform. The toy department is of great interest and all are invited to visit it.	Of lasting value and interest, a gift of a phonograph, will entertain every day for years. The Victor and Edison are both carried and either will make a pleasing gift. To those who have phonographs a few new records are always acceptable.	Full of low priced but useful articles. HANDKERCHIEFS Still in style and always acceptable. A very attractive display of exceptional values. GAMES The new games including Riddles, and the most popular of the older games. They help pass the long winter evenings and many are instructive as well.	Fine line of the latest ideas in Traveling Sets, Brushes, Combs, Toilet Sets, Purse, Bags, Novel Covers, Fancy Articles, Etc. BOOKS Children's, Boys', Girls', and the Popular Novels. A large line to select from. FANCY DRY GOODS Ladies' Neckwear, Gloves, Robes, Etc. CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS Tinsel and Fancy Decorations for the tree.

Mail orders filled carefully and promptly. Remember satisfaction is guaranteed at this store.

A Very Merry Christmas is wished to the many friends of this store.

EDWARD KING, BETHEL, MAINE.

CHRISTMAS ANNOUNCEMENTS.

I have done my part to make this my Biggest and Best Christmas ever, and trust that a carefully selected and honestly priced stock of Christmas Goods will merit your patronage.

I feel that I can meet your wants.

Whatever your needs come and let me show you a variety of Beautiful Presents that will at once appeal to you as "Just the Thing". I have genuine New Attractions for Christmas and I want you to know it. It is a privilege to show you my line and you will oblige me by considering this a personal invitation to call and inspect my extensive and up-to-date line of Christmas Presents.

My word of seasonable greeting to you is
"A Square Deal" and a Merry Christmas to all.

Don't forget that I give away as usual on New Year's Eve a Beautiful Imported Basket of Quality Chocolates, also with every \$1.00 that you spend here for Christmas Goods from now till Jan. 1st you will receive a Nifty Box of Quality Chocolates. It means a 10 per cent. discount on all your Christmas Purchases.

Seasonable, Reasonable and Practical Presents.

A nice Box of Eaton, Crane & Pike's Stationery. Prices from 25c to \$3.50 a box. The line is unusually attractive this Christmas.

The Famous Sawyer Pictures are always appreciated. Let me frame them for you; it will be done right, at right prices.

A fine display of Toilet and Manicure Sets in Parisian Ivory, Ebony, Etc., Ladies' Hand Bags, Gentlemen's Travelling Cases, Mirrors, Smokers' Sets in Hammered Brass, Etc., Cigar Cases, Perfumes in Fancy Boxes, Pocket Books, Mesh Bags, Card Cases, Bridge Sets, 25c Novelties, and many other things too numerous to mention.

A fine line of the 50c Copyrights Children's Books, Games, Toys, etc. A nice assortment of Twine in Christmas colors for your Christmas packages.

Be sure and get a Ticket on the Basket, 2 tickets with every pound, and 1 with every one-half pound. You will also enjoy and appreciate the 10c Nifty Box of Quality Chocolates that I give you with every \$1.00 purchase of Christmas Goods.

A Century Double Feed Fountain Pen. Don't experiment. Buy the Best. Prices from \$2.00 up to \$5.00. A cheaper Pen at \$1.00, \$1.25 and \$1.50.

Christmas and New Year Post Cards, Booklets, Letters, Tags, Seals, Etc., in abundance, and all beautiful, Prices from 1c to \$1.00.

And last but not least, my Candy Department. It's simply overflowing with everything from the Christmas Ribbon Candy at 15c a pound, 2 for 25c, to the 20c Regal Chocolates, Ox-Hearts, Peach Blossoms, Pop Corn Brittle, Coconut Bon Bons, 30c Molasses Chips, Creamed Almonds, and the well known Quality and Premiere Chocolates at 50c a pound in bulk and in fancy boxes, from 35c to \$2.50.

H. S. Pushard, Prescription Druggist,
Bethel, Maine.

THE HOME CIRCLE.

Pleasant Reveries—A Column
 Dedicated to Tired Mothers
 as they Join the Home
 Circle at Evening Tide.

Happiness is not found on the wide, bright highway of pleasure, but rather in the quiet lane and byways of daily duty.

Be strong!
 We are not here to play, to dream, to drift;
 We have hard work to do, and loads to lift;

Also not the struggle—face it; it is God's gift.

Be strong!
 "The days are evil. Who's to blame?"
 And fold the hands and acquiesce—oh, shame!

Stand up, speak out, and bravely, in God's name.

RESPONSIBILITY DEVELOPS POWER.

Responsibility is a great power do you see. Where there is responsibility, there is growth. People who are never thrust into responsible positions never develop their real strength. This is the reason why it is so rare to find very strong men and women among those who have spent their lives in subordinate positions, in the service of others. They go through life comparing their weakness, because their powers have never been tested or developed.

by having great responsibility thrust upon them. Their thinking has been done for them. They have simply carried out somebody else's program. They have never learned to stand alone, to think for themselves, to act independently. Because they have never been obliged to plan for themselves, they have never developed the best thing in them—their power of originality, inventiveness, initiative, independence, self-reliance, their possible grit and stamina. The power to create, to make combinations, to meet emergencies, the power which comes from continuous marshaling of one's forces to meet difficult situations, to adjust means to ends, that stamina or power which makes one equal to the great crises in the life of a nation, is only developed by years of practical training under great responsibility.

There is nothing more misleading than the philosophy that if there is anything in a youth it will come out if it comes out, and it may not. It depends largely upon circumstances, upon the presence or absence of an ambition, arousing a great awakening excitement. The greatest ability is not always accompanied by the greatest confidence or the greatest ambition.

There is, at the moment, enough power latent in the clerks or ordinary employees in almost any of our best new homes to manage them as well, or better, than they are managed today, if the opportunity and pressure emergency came to call out the dynamic force.

But how can clerks who remain behind the counters, measuring cloth, selling shoes or hosiery, year in and year out, ever know what latent power for organization or executive ability what initiative they possess? It is

true that some of the more ambitious and courageous get out and start for themselves, but it does not follow that they are always better than those who remain behind. Sometimes the greatest ability is accompanied by great modesty and even timidity. Then, again, employees conscious of great ability are often deterred from taking the risk of launching out for themselves because of possible disaster to those depending upon them for daily bread. But thrust great responsibility upon a man, drive him to desperation, and the demand will bring out what there is in him. It will call out the initiative, his ingenuity, his resourcefulness, his self-reliance, his power to adjust means to ends. If there are any elements of leadership in him, responsibility will call them out. It will test his power to do things.

—Harrison Magazine.

HELPFUL HINTS

To Remove Astringent Marks—Astringent marks may be removed from clothing by spreading the stained spot on some flat surface and rubbing it with a cloth dipped in turpentine. Markings on stains may be removed in the same manner.—H. C. A. Allen, Tex.

To Clean Corners—When sweeping the stairs, use a soft, mottled paint brush instead of an ordinary broom. It will remove the dust from the corners of uncarpeted stairs and also reach between the supports to the railing.—R. D. C. Westfield, Mass.

To Exterminate Vermin—Mix and let stand for several hours a quart of gasoline and ten cents' worth of carbolic acid. Put the mixture into a pint bottle with a long spout, and spray into every place where

there are bugs. Air the room thoroughly. After a few applications the vermin will have entirely disappeared.—H. C. N. Kansas City, Mo.

To Protect New Towels—Before using new towels even once, take the art to add grease it well with tallow, then put it in the oven to heat. Afterward it will never rust, no matter how often it is washed.—L. N. Wrentham, N. C.

Source of Stamp.
 For I said, Perhaps they might rejoice over me; when my foot slipped, they might magnify themselves over me.—Psalms 28:17.

Made My Life Worth Living

"I feel it my duty to tell others what Chamberlain's Tablets have done for me," writes Mrs. L. Danahy, of Oak Grove, Mich. "I have suffered with pains in my back and under my shoulder blades for a number of years, also with a poor appetite and constipation. I tried all of the remedies that I heard of, and a number of doctors, but got no relief. Finally a friend told me to try Chamberlain's Tablets. I got a bottle of them and they soon helped my stomach, by their gentle action my bowels became more regular. Today I feel like praising them to all who suffer as I did, for

A SURPRISE FOR JIM.

A mission worker in New Orleans was visiting a reformatory near that city not long ago when she observed among the inmates an old acquaintance, a negro lad long thought to be a model of integrity.

"Jim" exclaimed the mission worker. "Is it possible I find you here?"

"Yesam," blithely responded the backslider. "I've changed with stealing a barrel o' sweet potatoes."

The visitor sighed. "You, Jim!" she repeated. "I'm surprised."

"Yesam," said Jim. "So was I, or I wouldn't be here!"—Lippincott's.

A RESOURCEFUL EDITOR.

The late General Booth, said a Salvation Army official of New York, "often used to urge the 'down-and-outer' to cultivate the quality of resourcefulness."

"He would illustrate this quality by the story of a resourceful Western editor, who found, one night, that he had neither advertisements nor copy for his third page. The page accordingly appeared blank with a note in small type at the top.

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HAZARDING AN OPINION.

"Which do you consider the most melodious Wagnerian opera?" asked Mrs. Gurney.

"There are several I haven't heard, aren't there?" rejoined her husband.

"Yes."

"Then I guess it's one of them."

MEN'S SHOES.

Men's lightest and snappiest shoes demanded by the most fastidious wearer.

Men's Dry Feet Work Shoes.

Elk Shoes for every day wear.

Elk Soled Tennis Cloth Top.

Marathon Tennis, Rubber Soles. One of the best Women's Latest Style Oxford and High Shoes

Repairing promptly done with the best of leather at

E. E. RANDALL'S.

BETHEL,

MAINE.

RUMFORD.

Mrs. Percy Sweetser has been ill for the past week and unable to perform her duties with the Maine Tel. & Tel. Co., and Miss Hazel Merrill from the Tel. operating department has been substituting for her.

The Cosmos Club held its usual meeting at Hotel Rumford on Friday evening and Mr. M. P. Abbott gave a most interesting paper on "Taxation."

Miss Joan Moir spent several days last week in Augusta as the guest of Miss Ethel Brainerd.

Miss Hazel Lovejoy is working in the Dennison department of the Red Cross Pharmacy during the holiday season.

Albert Thibadeau of Boston is in town for a few weeks. Dr. Thibadeau has recently accepted a position in the Worcester Hospital, where he will begin his duties the first of the year.

Mrs. Chas. Israelson spent Sunday in Berlin as the guest of Mrs. H. L. Steinfeld and family.

Fred Weeks was found dead in one of the rooms of Eldall's boarding house Saturday morning.

St. Margaret's Guild held a most successful sale and supper on Tuesday Dec. 17. The ladies deserve much credit for the hard work they put in to make this fair a success.

The Betsy Ross Club was entertained by the Misses Bertha and Hattie Israelson at their home on Pine street, Monday evening.

The ladies of the Universalist church made over one hundred dollars at their sale and dinner on Wednesday of last week.

Hon. Geo. D. Bisbee spent the week in Portland and St. Paul on business.

Miss Pearl Nile of New York is the guest of her brother, Dr. J. A. Nile, for the holiday season.

The town schools will close this week for the holiday recess of two weeks.

Friday night the Rumford High School basketball team played Gould's Academy and won by a score of 41 to 12. This makes the fourth game of the season which the team has played, and so far, have been victors in each game. They are out for the championship this season and hope to get it.

The Institute orchestra gave a fine concert Sunday afternoon at which time the following program was rendered:

March, National Fencibles, Sousa. Mazurka, Tancrède, Rossini. Solo, I Need You, Miss Brennick. Dream on the Rhine, Hartman. Waltz, Mystery, Walter Rolfe. Cornet Solo, Selected, Miss Bennett. Barcarolle from Tales of Hoffman, Oppenbach.

A large audience was present and enjoyed this concert. The orchestra will give a dancing matinee on Christmas afternoon at four o'clock for all members of the Institute and at this time will take up a subscription.

Pearl Dyer and wife have taken rooms in the Richmond house and intend to spend the winter in town.

Chas. L. Smith's lecture at the Institute, Monday evening, on "Some Phases of Poetic Appeal," with songs by Miss Moir, was much enjoyed. Miss Moir's voice is always appreciated by her hearers as she possesses a very sympathetic note which never fails to appeal to the audience.

The little daughter of L. M. Small is recovering from scarlet fever nicely.

Miss Jennie Pratt left Wednesday for a week's vacation to be spent with her sister, Mrs. Johnson, of Turner.

Word was received in town Monday of the death of Manley A. Brigham, the former reporter for the Citizen in this town. Mr. Brigham was in Auburn on the Free Press, and last week suffered a severe attack of paralysis.

from the effects of which he died Sunday.

Bill Gordon, a former resident of the town farm, but for a short time working in one of the mills, was arrested Wednesday by the officers for intoxication. The man was intoxicated and fell down a steep embankment back of the railroad station hitting on his head. After being brought to the station he was given medical attendance, as he was in an unconscious condition. It was thought by the physicians that examined him that a clot of blood had settled on the brain and it was deemed wise to remove Gordon to Dr. Noyes' hospital on Friday. Up to Monday no signs of consciousness had been shown by the patient and it is thought doubtful if he ever recovers.

At a meeting of the Chamber of Commerce held in the Business Men's Club rooms on Thursday evening, there were present seventy-four enrolled members. The following officers were elected:—President, R. L. Melcher; Vice President, O. J. Gonyea; and Secretary, L. W. Blanchard; Treasurer, E. O. Eaton; with the following Board of Directors: J. W. Harris, Theodore Hawley, E. D. Lovejoy, J. A. Carneau, Walter Morse, J. H. Kerr, Philip Israelson, Albert Bellevue, Waldo Pettin, Elisha Pratt, and P. E. McCarly.

Already the Chamber of Commerce has received letters from an Industrial Bureau in which there appears to be two companies that would like to establish premises here and also another letter from a manufacturing concern that wishes to establish four or five factories throughout the country for making door bolts. It seems that the Chamber of Commerce is certainly established to aid the town.

Harry Coryell spoke in Owl's Hall on Wednesday evening to the Socialists in Rumford.

Geo. A. Hutchins was in Caribou on business the first of the week.

The new democratic shortfalls are to be Everett Bessey and Arthur Landry of Rumford and Theo. Penley of Mexico.

Miss Lena Felt attended State Grange reception in Portland, Monday evening.

A bowling league has been formed in town which promises to be rather exciting. There are six teams in the league, namely: the Oxfords, Continentals, Oxford Office, Firemen, International, and the Congress street. At the present time the Firemen are in the lead with the International second. It is the plan of the league to play three or four games a week.

Thos. Penley had a very curious experience while driving up Congress street.

THE FRESH AIR CURE Is Sound and Logical.

Both by day and by night it is necessary to have enough oxygen from fresh air to keep the blood pure and in best condition to repair waste and so maintain life. If confined by day, sleep in open air at night, well protected of course by suitable clothing.

If the liver or bowels become sluggish take a proper dose of "L. F." Atwood's Medicine occasionally to prevent congestion. It is a safe old family remedy.

"I have used 'L. F.' Atwood's Medicine with most excellent results and do most heartily recommend them. I feel sure that the 'L. F.' Atwood's Medicine is very beneficial in cases of Dyspepsia, Headache, and vomiting."

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ADVERTISEMENTS.

More Loaves to the Sack

and each a better loaf than you have ever made before—yours if you will only specify William Tell when you order flour.

Just as good for cake and biscuits and pastry and all the rest of the good things to eat that good flour makes.

All extraneous, too, because William Tell is milled by our special process from Ohio Red Winter Wheat—the richest and finest grown.

William Tell Flour.

street one day last week. He felt something hit him in the head and his first thought was that he had been shot, as the blood began to come down his cheek. He glanced up the street and saw a young boy about five years old running as fast as he could. Immediately Mr. Penley decided that this lad knew something about the affair and he got out of his team and followed the boy to his home over Mrs. Roussin's restaurant on Exchange street. Here he found the child and his parents, who, upon hearing the story of Mr. Penley's discovery, proceeded to severely chastise the child, until Penley intervened. On going back to the corner of the street Mr. Penley found the handle of an old pistol, which was made of iron, and had become old and rusty, a part of which had pierced the muscle of Mr. Penley's ear, thereby causing him to think he had been shot. Mr. Penley had medical attendance and no serious results issued from the wound. It is hoped that this will serve as a warning to all young boys that think they would like to hit everything that is passing by, as it might have been more serious if it had happened to strike another portion of the body.

Miss Judith Thomas has accepted a position as stenographer in the International Paper Co's. office, filling the position left vacant by Miss Elizabeth Quade.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lambert of Van Buren, Me., are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Greene for several weeks.

Philip Israelson and Philip Steinfeld made the trip to Berlin, Sunday, in a roadster and report the roads in fairly good condition.

Services will be held at the Universalist church on Sunday by Rev. A. M. Bradley, State superintendent.

Alon James, a Polish man, residing on Holyoke Ave. was in court Monday morning on a search and seizure charge. Deputies Small and Niles were around the place Sunday and upon entering found eight men playing cards in the room. Upon further search they discovered a pile of wood in the shed adjoining and after removing a portion

of this they discovered a small amount of hay, pulling this one side they found eleven quarts of liquor concealed. The judge fined James one hundred dollars and costs and he settled.

Chas. Atwood of U. of M. is expected home Saturday to spend the Christmas recess with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Atwood of Frankfort street.

A Polander, giving the name of John Coburn, came into the police station Sunday and asked to see a policeman. After finding one he showed his hand which apparently had been scratched in several places and stated that there was a girl at No. 8 River street that had done this and he wanted her arrested. The officer went with the man and found the girl in her room with several other people of her own nationality with her. She stated that Coburn had come into her room and upon finding another fellow there had tried to throw the first fellow out, whereupon she ordered Coburn out of the room and he refused to go; she then scratched his hand. The officer asked her if she would like to have Coburn arrested and she said yes, thereupon Coburn was arrested and appeared in court Monday morning where he was fined one dollar and costs which amounted to \$1.95. This he settled and afterwards walked up to the young lady and they shook hands and were apparently more friendly than ever.

Miss Hattie Israelson will go to Berlin next week to be the guest of relatives for a week.

All of the stores are open every night this week, thus enabling everybody to have ample time to purchase their Xmas presents.

R. T. Parker left Wednesday for Augusta to be present at the garden hearings in the cases of Everett and Peter Antonio.

GO RIGHT AT IT.

Friends and Neighbors in Rumford Falls Will Show You A Way.

Get at the root of the trouble. Rubbing an aching back may relieve it.

But won't cure it if the kidney's are weak. You must reach the root of it—the kidneys.

Reach the cause; relieve the pain. Begin at once with Doan's Kidney Pills.

Are recommended by thousands. Here is a statement from a resident of this vicinity.

Scott N. Robertson, painter, Mason St., Bethel, Me., says: "It gives me pleasure to confirm my previous public endorsement of Doan's Kidney Pills. I had an attack of backache and as it did not seem to go away, I knew that I must take something. A member of the family had been cured by Doan's Kidney Pills of similar trouble, so I got a box. They removed my trouble. I am glad to publicly endorse this remedy."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-McMillan Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agents for the United States.

Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

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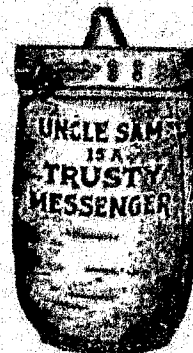
FOR HEAVY WINTER WEAR

This style made for men and women, boys and girls—the finest footprotection known. Keeps the warmth in and the dampness out.

Get fitted today. "If a Dealer Sells SHAWMUTS He's a Good Dealer."

OTHER KINDS SHAWMUTS DOUBLE THE WEAR WHERE THE WEAR COMES

For Safety, Convenience, Promptness,



Accuracy, and a Square Deal

BANK WITH Rumford Falls Trust Co.

BIG, STRONG, POPULAR, AND GROWING ALL THE TIME.

Banking By Mail a Big Success With Us.

WE FURNISH EVERYTHING. WE INVITE YOUR BANKING BUSINESS. TRY US. WRITE US.

STANLEY BISBEE Hardware and Builders' Material.

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Slice it as you use it

That's tobacco sense

Sickle Plug keeps its natural fragrance, original flavor and moisture better than any other form of tobacco, because the good qualities are pressed into the plug and held there by the natural tobacco leaf wrapper. A rich, sweet, cool, satisfying smoke—Economical—more tobacco for your money. No package to pay for. Nothing to crowd your pocket. Nothing to spill.

Try it today

Good Dealers Everywhere 3 ounces 10c



THINK IT OVER

Would the ablest business men in the country have a bank account if there was no advantage or convenience in it? Would they have been able to reach their present commanding position if they had spent half their time worrying about the safety of the money they had made?

THE RUMFORD NATIONAL BANK

invites you to open an account as they did. The same advantages they found in so doing will accrue to you if you accept the invitation.

THE RUMFORD NATIONAL BANK, RUMFORD, ME.

4 PER CENT. INTEREST.



What We Have for Gift Seekers

It is time now to know what there is for holiday giving whether you are ready to buy or not. Our ample stock is on display and we are anxious to show you how well we have provided for gift seekers. It's a splendid stock, bought early while there was best choice, and it includes many desirable items that will not be found elsewhere this year. The brief outline below gives but a meager idea of what is really here. Come and see our goods and settle your gift problems early. Our low prices will help you to decide.

Gifts Sure To Please

DELICIOUS CONFECTIONS.

You'll want nice confectionery for some one, we are sure. We have the choicest, purest sweets procurable. This is one of the lines that always receives special attention here and for the holidays our stock is a superb one. Our holiday packages are beautiful.

NEW TOILET SETS.

We are showing many new ideas in these goods this season. Beautiful cases in unique shapes in celluloid, choice leathers, plush, etc. Handsome fittings of superior quality in all sorts of materials. If you want to give a lady something embodying both beauty and utility, you'll find just the thing in this line.

CIGAR CASES.

Here's a gift for a man who smokes that will be appreciated. We have a fine showing of them in various styles and in all the best leathers.

REAL CIGARS.

Every brand of cigars in our stock is good. Any smoker—no matter how particular—will be pleased with any you may choose here. All our cigars whether in fancy holiday packages or put up in regular form, are our staple brands—the choicest the market affords.

POST CARD ALBUMS.

Have them bound in cloth and leather in various sizes, styles and colors. You'll not find another such a showing anywhere in town.

BRUSHES.

We are showing a wide variety of bristle goods. The line includes hair, military, clothes, flesh, hat brushes, etc., in splendid assortment. All these goods are well put together and will give splendid service. Our line of hair brushes is a particularly fine one and represents all the newest styles backs.

SMOKING SETS.

Many unique ones in our assortment. If you have a smoker friend who hasn't a smoking set, here's a gift that will just fill the bill.

PIPES.

Big assortment from which to select. We have all sorts of pipes from the lowly cob to high-grade French briars with beautiful amber mouthpieces and elegant meerschaums. If you have decided to give some one a pipe, our superb assortment and low prices will make selecting an easy matter.

TOILET ARTICLES.

This line takes in a wide variety of desirable gift goods—Hand, Stand and Triplicate Mirrors, Brushes of all kinds, Fancy Bottles, Combs, Traveling Cases, Brush and Comb Sets, etc., etc. These goods are all in latest styles and are sure to please any lady whom you may favor. Something here at any price you may want to pay.

FOUNTAIN PENS.

We carry the celebrated Waterman line. Splendid choice in large, substantial, plain ones for business men, to smaller, fancy, gold-mounted ones for ladies. All guaranteed.

LADIES' HAND BAGS.

An entirely new stock of this season's goods. Whatever you select here will be right and the style. Our assortment includes bags in all the most desirable leathers—aligator, seal, walrus, etc. These goods are made for service as well as beauty.

CHRISTMAS CARDS AND BOOKLETS.

Large assortment here in hand painted and beautiful embossed effects. As simple and artistic or as rich and elaborate ones you may prefer. A strictly up-to-date line.

POCKET BOOKS.

Pocket Books are always in demand for gift purposes, and there's no more sensible gift to be chosen. Our stock is very complete. Both ladies' and gentlemen's goods are here in splendid variety. There's probably not a desirable leather used in making pocket books that is not represented in this assortment.

CAMERAS.

You must not overlook cameras. This is a gift that is apt to be pleasing to people of all ages, and is sure to please the young. Cameras have been so perfected that any one can now become a successful amateur. Taking pictures is a fascinating diversion and it has its useful side. It gives one a new insight into nature. It develops the artistic sense.

We have a fine line of the best cameras made and if you wish to get one, make sure of it by buying at once.

FOUNTAIN PENS.

A fountain pen is the busy man's or woman's companion. We guarantee those we sell to be first class. Prices differ sufficiently to afford one for every user. \$1.00 to \$5.00.

BOOKS.

The one present that comes nearest to being universally desired. Our stock contains books suitable for every age, class and condition. It includes all the latest editions of all standard authors, besides a large variety of juvenile and gift books. We sell for less than publishers' prices whenever possible.

STATIONERY.

We have many beautiful and useful gifts in this line. Fancy Box Papers with holly decorations for the holidays.

PERFUMES.

Perfumes are always in wide demand at holiday time, and this is the time that quality should be insisted upon. We have an immense stock of perfumes and it includes the finest odors of the best perfumers.

We have fine goods in bulk and in bottles. We have perfumes in all sorts of fancy packages. Also have dainty bottles and atomizers which we can fill with bulk perfume.

If you want Sachet Powders, Cologne, Toilet Waters, Etc., you will find them in abundance here.

W. E. BOSSERMAN, DRUGGIST, Bethel, Maine.

HEART THRILLING GEMS.

My wisdom that cometh at night and by stealth
The soul of a man is made free;
It is not in the giving of learning or wealth—
The divine gift, liberty.
—George Edward Woodberry.

INDIRECTION.

Fair are the flowers and the children,
But their subtle suggestion is fairer;
Rare is the rosebud of dawn, but the secret that clings it is rarer;
Sweet the exultance of song, but the strain that precedes it is sweeter
And never was poem writ but the meaning outstripped the meter.

Never a daisy that grows, but a mystery gulleth the growing;
Never a river that flows, but a majesty captures the flowings;
Never a Shakespeare that soared, but a stronger than he did enfold him;
Nor ever a prophet foretells, but a mightier sees hath foretold him.

Dark of the canvas that throbs, the painter is hinted and hidden;
Into the statue that breathes, the sculptor is hidden;
Under the joy that is felt, lie the infinite leaves of feeling;
Crowning the glory revealed, is the glory that crowns the revealing.

Great are the symbols of being, but that which is symbolized is greater;
Vast the create and beheld, but vaster the inward creator;
Dark of the sound breaths the silence, back of the gift stands the giving;
Hark of the hand that receives thrill the sensitive nerves of receiving.

Spare is as nothing to spirit, the dead is cadence by the doing;
The heart of the water is warm, but warmer the heart of the weeding;
And up from the pits where these

shiver, and up from the heights where these shine,
Two voices and shadows swim starward, and the essence of life is divine.

—Richard Realf.

MY MOTHER'S HANDS.
Such beautiful, beautiful hands!
They're neither white nor small;
And you, I know, would scarcely think
That they were fair at all.
I've looked on hands whose form and hue
A sculptor's dream might be,
Yet are these wrinkled, aged hands
Most beautiful to me.

Such beautiful, beautiful hands!
Though heart were weary and sad,
These patient hands kept toiling on,
That the children might be glad.
I always weep, as looking back
To childhood's distant day,
I think how these hands rested not
When mine were at their play.

Such beautiful, beautiful hands!
They're growing feeble now,
For time and pain have left their mark
On hands, and heart, and brow.
Alas! alas! the morning time,
And the sad, sad day to me,
When 'neath the daisies, out of sight,
These hands will rested be.

But oh, beyond the shadow land,
Where all is bright and fair,
I know full well these dear old hands
Will palm of victory bear;
Where crystal streams through endless years
Flow over golden sands,
And where the old grow young again,
I'll sleep my mother's hands.
—Ellen M. H. Gates.

NOTHING BUT LEAVES.

Lucy E. Ackerman.
Nothing but leaves; the spirit grieves
Over a wasted life;
One committed while conscience slept,
Promises made, but never kept,
Hated, hated, and strife,
Nothing but leaves!

Nothing but leaves; the garnered sheaves
Of life's fair, ripened grain;
Words, little words, for earnest deeds;
We sow our seeds—of lives and weeds;
We reap, with toil and pain
Nothing but leaves!

Nothing but leaves; memory weaves
No veil to screen the past;
As we retrace our weary way,
Counting each lost and misspent day,
We find, sadly, at last,
Nothing but leaves!

And shall we meet the Master so,
Bearing our withered leaves?
The Saviour looks for perfect fruit;
We stand before him, humbled, mute;
Waiting the words he breathes—
"Nothing but leaves!"

A FORWARD MOVEMENT FOR RURAL EDUCATION IN MAINE.

No one will deny the importance of a good system of country schools in any state or community that has large agricultural interests. The prosperity of this fundamental industry depends very considerably on the quality of education that is available for the farmers' children.

The movement of the population to the city, has not only for some time centered educational interest on urban problems, but has also led to the realization of wealth so as to make very much larger funds available to city schools than to rural schools. The result has been that much of the best of our educational skill has been attracted from the country town to the city, to the consequent detriment of country children.

Notwithstanding the shift of population to village and city the country school even now, in Maine, has charge of the education of more children than are to be found in either city or village schools. If we include the schools of many of our very small villages which have chiefly rural interests we find there are absolutely more children in rural schools than in any other kind.

State Superintendent Payson Smith is inviting the attention of all who are interested in education to a consideration of the ways in which rural education in Maine can be made more effective. Notwithstanding considerable progress has been made, he believes that there are various fundamental points that should receive the attention of school officials and of the public. These are the teaching force, the equipment, the school grounds, the equipment, the course of study, supervision,

and community interest. All superintendents will be urged to place before the citizens of their own towns a distinct statement of the needs of their own schools and a plan for meeting them. Granges and other organizations interested in rural life will be invited to give emphasis to a discussion of these plans. The schools themselves, it is suggested, should be opened to meetings of the citizens called for the purpose of arousing an interest in country school betterment. It is hoped that as a result of this discussion there may be such favorable action of many towns as will result in a distinct uplift of their country schools.

MY SHADOW.

I have a little shadow that goes in and out with me,
And what can be the use of him is more than I can see.
He is very, very like me, from the heels up to the head;
And I can see him jump before me when I jump into my bed.

The funniest thing about him is the way he likes to grow—
Not at all like proper children, which is always very slow;
For he sometimes shouts up taller, like an Indian rubber ball,
And sometimes gets so little that there's none of him at all.

One morning very early, before the sun was up,
I rose and found the shining dew on every buttercup;
But my tiny little shadow, like so quaint a sleepy head,
Had stayed at home behind me and was fast asleep in bed.
—B. L. Stevenson.

MAN COUGHS AND BREAKS RINS

After a frightful coughing spell a man in Newark, Wis., felt terrible pain in his side and his doctor found two ribs had been broken. What agony Dr. King's New Discovery would have saved him. A few teaspoonfuls ended a late cough, while persistent use broke obstinate cough, and cured the man's side. "I feel sure it's a Godsend," writes Mr. John M. Merrett, Columbia, Mo., "for I believe I would have consumpted today, if I

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BUCKFIELD.

The Grammar school presented the drama, "Hiawatha," Friday evening at the I. O. O. F. Hall.
Work at the evaporating plant has finished for the season.

A very interesting meeting of the Literary Club was held at the home of Mrs. Cynthia Tilton, Tuesday afternoon. Sixteen members were present. In the absence of the president and vice-president, the second vice-president, Mrs. Almeta Irish presided. Roll call was answered by quotations from Lyman Abbott; a paper of the world's great earthquakes by Mrs. Barn Morrell was very interesting; humorous readings by Mrs. Mary Lamb were much enjoyed. The next meeting will be omitted, being so near Christmas, but the programme will be combined with meeting of January 7th, the next one will be Mrs. Emma Cole.

James Packard, who has been in very poor health for the past year had a shock Sunday and is very low; his daughter, Mrs. Downs, is caring for him.
B. A. Hutchinson, R. D. No. 1 went to Lewiston, Thursday morning.
Mrs. Eliza Wood has finished work for Mrs. F. Washburn and will go to work in the brush shop Monday.
Mrs. Emily Decker is slowly failing.

NOWADAYS.

"I'm going to leave, mum," said the maid.
"Alas!" cried Mrs. Grey,
"I've done all of the work myself,
So why will you not stay?"
Then Bridget up and made reply,
Thus ending the dispute:
"Indeed, I'll let you know just why
The work's not done to suit!"—Life.

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WEST BETHEL.

The village school opened last Monday with Miss Emma Burke as teacher. A number of the children are out of school on account of the snow.

Mrs. W. W. Goodbridge and sister, Miss Mabel Perkins attended Pomona at South Paris last Tuesday. They attended the supper at the Universalist church.

Miss Deane Mide is quite ill at this writing.

Tablet Lynne Goodbridge is confined to the house with the flu.

Robert Bennett has built an addition on the building he is to use for a barn this winter.

W. J. Walker is clearing the lot he has the station for J. A. Wendell.

Mrs. James Parker of Locke's Mills is caring for Irene Mills.

A. K. Stronker visited his brother, H. H. Stronker, the first of last week.

Mrs. Clara Abbott spent a few days with Mrs. Alice Ordway last week.

Miss Violet Merrill is on a visit to her sister, Mrs. Harlan Bean, in Auburn.

P. L. Ordway and wife who have been ill for the past week are convalescing.

Derothy Merrill has returned from a week's visit to friends in Auburn.

Chas. Briggs is at work for Norman Thibault.

Warren Martin of Hallowell, Me., was in the village last week.

Mrs. J. E. Pike was in Bethel last Saturday.

Albert Burke and wife of Griffin visited Mrs. Burke's mother, Mrs. U. Tyler, who is quite low.

Mary Johnson of South Paris returned home last Saturday with a fine show of about a dozen.

G. M. Everett has returned from Maine.

Mrs. Harlan Walker went to the Maine General Hospital in Portland for an operation last Thursday.

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Name of Owner	Description of Property	Am't. tax, charges, etc.
Wendell, R. F.	4 acres in Lot 10 Range 2	\$13.50

GEORGE CUMMINGS,
Collector of Taxes of the Town of Bethel.

ANDOVER.

Mrs. Abbie Poor entertained the Ladies' Aid Wednesday afternoon, Dec. 11. As this was the annual meeting the following officers were chosen: President, Mrs. Alice Sweet; Vice-President, Mrs. Minnie Sweet; Secretary, Mrs. Violett Mills; Treasurer, Mrs. Olive Dresser. Dainty refreshments were served by the hostess.

Mrs. Annie Colledge from Dixfield is visiting her brother, Frank Porter and family.

Samuel Clark is in town for a few days.

William Harris moved his family into the woods Sunday. They will occupy Smith and Thurston's camp near G. Pond.

Robert Poor of Rumford was in town a few days last week, the guest of Henry L. Poor and family.

Ray Thurston went to Richardson Pond with eight horses the first of the week.

The students from Kent's High Seminary are enjoying the Christmas holidays at their homes in town.

Clarence Hall has moved his family into C. A. Hall's rent on Main street.

Herbert Thomas and family from Montana are visiting his parents, Frank P. Thomas and wife.

John Gibbs has contracted to cut some timber on Sawyer brook for H. H. Morton.

Alice Andrews, Ramona Twitchell and Elizabeth Cushman came home Friday from Hebron Academy for the holidays.

The schools in town with the exception of the high school closed Friday of last week for a three weeks' vacation.

Y. A. Thurston, H. W. Hawthorn of Marshfield and Mr. Lobley of Danforth are looking over the timber land on Indian Township in Washington County this week in the interest of the State.

Mrs. Abbie Poor will close her house soon and reside in Portland this winter.

Richard Talbot and his daughter from Augusta visited his father, John P. Talbot, last week.

Arthur Whiting and wife are living at Edward Colburn's.

Irene Mc. Grange held his regular all day meeting Saturday in the hall. The third and fourth degrees were conferred on six candidates. In the afternoon the following officers were elected for 1913:

Master, O. A. Burgess.
Overseer, J. L. Bailey.
Lecturer, Mrs. O. A. Burgess.
Steward, E. M. Bailey.
Asst. Steward, B. L. Akers.
Chaplain, J. H. Abbott.
Treasurer, W. M. Perkins.
Secretary, Mrs. Maggie Stewart.
Gate Keeper, Lyman Abbott.
Clerk, Mrs. John Bailey.
Pomona, Elsie Baker.
Flora, Olevia Burgess.
L. A. Steward, Mrs. B. L. Akers.

The members of the Grange will serve a baked bean and pastry dinner to their families on Christmas day, followed by a Christmas tree and entertainment.

Walter Akers visited his sister, Mrs. Elsie Merrill, at Bangor Point, Sun. day.

Henry W. Poor has sold his stock on his farm and will reside with his daughter, Mrs. O. A. Burgess.

FOR CHRISTMAS PRESENTS BUY FOOTWEAR

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BETHEL,

MAINE.

daughter, Mrs. O. M. Richardson, at Canton this winter.

Mrs. Noble Small is working for Mrs. Oscar Damon.

Edward Stuart has gone to Oiled for the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Poor returned from Berlin last week.

Neal Bodwell drove the stage team the first of the week for Chas. York, who was ill of rheumatism.

Fred Smith has been quite ill.

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NORTH WATERFORD.

A supper consisting of baked beans, salads and pastry was served at the vestry by Geo. M. Knight W. H. C. Thursday night, December 12, followed by a sale in charge of the following committee: Apron table in charge of Della Eastman and Homer Bartlett, also the home made candy; Mrs. Dickford and Mrs. Wardwell had charge of the fancy work. The other goods were auctioned off by Roy Wardwell. Bert McIlton got the crib quilt for \$20; Mrs. Tella Rice the big quilt for \$22.50.

Mrs. Grover the sofa pillow top; Bert Monilton, hair-pin receiver; Ralph Knight fancy work apron. A short entertainment consisted of reading by Annie Haseleton and music on the banjo by Hazel Wardwell and Linwood Flint. The proceeds of the evening were about twenty dollars.

Mrs. Ernest Nason remains quite ill.

Mrs. Lucy Kilgore is much better.

Mrs. Archie Plummer has been at work there a few days.

Hattie Grover has finished work at I. T. Green's and is now at home.

Leah Day has been visiting her aunt Mrs. J. W. Dresser.

Mrs. Mattie Heald has gone to her sons for the winter.

Roland Littlefield intends going to Oxford to work in a mill during the winter for John Willis.

Mrs. Maria Davis, who had a shock a few weeks ago is quite low.

Lizzie Littlefield is very sick at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George E. Farmer.

Mrs. Farris Page sprained her wrist several weeks ago, and can not use it much yet.

Ruth Elliott is at home on a vacation from her school at Gould's Academy Bethel.

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Name of Owner	Description of Property	Am't. tax, charges, etc.
Bartlett, Judson F.	Homestead Farm.	\$16.20
Chapman, William L.	Homestead Farm.	23.80
Cushman, Arville G.	Homestead Farm.	20.00
Colledge, W. Edgar.	Homestead Farm.	12.40
Dudley, Marion A., Heirs of	Homestead.	28.90
	East End of Bond Island and Straw Land.	14.75
	Homestead.	15.00
Durell, T. H.	Homestead.	15.45
Ester, Daniel C.	Homestead Farm.	6.75
Ester, S. B.	Homestead.	6.70
Ester, Elliott L.	Homestead Farm.	4.80
Head, Harry N.	Homestead.	10.90
Gilbert, Loren M.	Homestead.	1.43
Mason, Artemus H.	Land between County Road and Railroad.	1.95
	D. L. Austin Land.	27.60
Maxim, Howard F.	Homestead Farm.	5.72
	J. A. Chase Homestead.	.95
	Part of Nathan Cummings Farm.	13.13
Mason, Seth L.	Homestead Farm.	11.83
Maycennell, Samuel.	Back Lot 7-3.	1.81
	One half of 6-3.	1.71
	G. L. Blake Place.	2.85
	James McConnell Homestead Farm.	9.55
	Part of P. C. Thomas Lot.	2.35
Merrill, Geo. D.	Homestead Farm.	41.25
Small, Vitella.	Homestead.	12.40
	Godwin Land.	1.92
Stone, Viola.	Homestead Farm.	4.80
Verrill, Fred C.	Homestead Farm.	23.80
Vashaw, Thomas W.	Homestead at West Bethel.	10.50
	Field of G. D. Merrill.	10.50

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Bean, E. O.	The Robert Bean Lot, 3-1-100.	\$7.25
	West Part of 3-1-100.	1.43
Bethel & Rumford Falls Electric Railroad.	The Danham Lot.	7.25
Burbank, Bernard.	Part of Bond Island.	9.40
Crooks, Henry.	Homestead at West Bethel.	9.10
Cole, Elmer D.	Old Homestead Lot.	3.40
	C. Morgan Homestead.	4.10
Hatchins, Harold S.	Old Homestead Farm.	39.12
Sigbee, W. W.	The Earl Baker Stand.	38.00
Swan, Marcus E.	Homestead.	11.00

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